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REMARKS

STATUS OF CLAIMS

Claims 1-43 are pending.

The Office Action maintains from the previous Office Action rejection of claims 1-25, 27-32, 34-39 and 41-43 under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Straub (US Patent No. 6,216,141) in view of Nawaz (US Patent No. 5,959,621) and in view of Smythe (US Patent No. 6,418,214).

The Office Action maintains from the previous Office Action rejection of claims 26, 33 and 40 under 35 USC 103(a) as being unpatentable over Straub, Nawaz, Smythe, and Kisiel (US Patent No. 6,327,586).

According to the foregoing, the claims are amended, and, thus the pending claims remain for reconsideration, which is respectfully requested. No new matter has been added. The rejections are traversed.

The independent claims are 1, 12, 19, 23, 30 and 37.

A patentably distinguishing feature of the claims is "wherein a user selects the image data from the moving display area and the display means stocks the selected image data on a display area by displaying displays the selected image data on a user selected stationary display area separate from the moving display area." For example, the present Application page 14, line 13 to page 15, line 20 and FIG. 3, static display oriented bitmap data 14 and page 19, lines 15-24 support the claim amendments.

The Office Action page 3 in rejecting Independent claim 1 relies upon Straub column 9, lines 47-60 and FIG. 6 to meet the foregoing amended claimed feature. However, in Straub FIG. 5, selecting the displayed teaser 142 causes a browser 170, shown in FIG. 6, to display the content or source data for the teaser 142 in a browser window. In contrast, the language of the claims provides "a user selects the image data from the moving display area ... stocks the selected image data on a display area by displaying displays the selected image data on a user selected stationary display area separate from the moving display area." Straub column 9, lines 49-51 and FIG. 6 discuss that the browser 170 may also display the teaser image 152, 154. However, according to foregoing the independent claims are amended to clarify displaying "the selected image data on a user selected stationary display area" (FIG. 3, reference no. 14) stocks a desired source data, which differs from Straub's browser 170

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displaying the source data including teaser information. Further, for example, in contrast to the relied upon references, amended independent claims 23, 30 and 37 provided "~~a record means for recording the detected user operation~~ for the displayed information operated in accordance with the detection of the users' operation, wherein a user selects image data from in the moving display area, in a user selected and a stationary display area separate from the moving display area and the display means displays the selected image data on the stationary display area separate from the moving display area."

Thus, a prima facie case of obviousness based upon Straub, Nawaz and Smythe cannot be established, because Straub is silent on stocking a selected image data and Straub fails to disclose, or suggest to one skilled in the art to modify Nawaz and Smythe, to achieve the claimed "stocks the selected image data on a display area by displaying displays the selected image data on a user selected stationary display area separate from the moving display area" and "the display means displays the source data linked to the stocked selected image data on a display area separate from both the moving display area and the user selected stationary display area of the display means, and the image data on the moving display area, the selected stocked image data on the user selected stationary display area, and said source data are simultaneously displayed" (e.g., amended independent claim 1). A benefit of the claimed "stocks the selected image data on a display area" is to allow the user to easily confirm the content of the source data rather than attempt to comprehend and select image data from a moving display area.

DEPENDENT CLAIMS

Dependent claims recite patentably distinguishing features of their own or are at least patentably distinguishing due to their dependencies from the Independent claims.

For example, The final Office Action page 4 in rejecting dependent claim 4 relies upon Straub FIG. 5 and column 8, lines 35-44, which discuss displaying a teaser 142 in viewer 140, but fails to disclose, or suggest to one skilled in the art, formatting the teaser 140 to indicate an attribute of the content.

For example, In contrast to Straub, Nawaz and Smythe, dependent claim 2 provides "wherein the stocked image data is formatted to indicate an attribute of the source data to which the stocked image data is linked further comprising the display means for displaying the source data linked to when the image data displayed is designated."

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For example, in contrast to Straub, Nawaz and Smythe, dependent claim 4 provides wherein **the stocked image data is formatted by displaying has a window, provided along a periphery of the background image, for showing indicating an attribute of the source data** to which the stocked image data is linked."

For example, the present application page 16, line 4 to page 18, line 4; FIGS. 4-9; and page 20, lines 1-6 supports dependent claims 2 and 4.

In view of the claim amendments and remarks, withdrawal of the rejection of pending claims and allowance of claims is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

If there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

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